



## **CDBG-MIT ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OVERVIEW**

- ▶ Refer to [CDBG-MIT Action Plan](#) and [Federal Register \(84 FR 45838\)](#) for detailed information
- ▶ Environmental Assessment ([EA](#)) will be the most common type of environmental review
- ▶ Complex projects may require an Environmental Impact Statement ([EIS](#))
- ▶ The Responsible Entity (RE) must determine the appropriate level of [Environmental Review](#)
- ▶ Requests for environmental review and approval are done via GLO's TIGR system
- ▶ Consult [HUD](#) for current guidelines and regulations
- ▶ [Adopt FEMA](#) and other federal environmental reviews when appropriate
- ▶ Accurate scoping, project description and [project aggregation](#) are critical success factors

**Project Aggregation:** Per 24 CFR 58.32, the RE must group together and evaluate as a single project all individual activities which are related either on a geographical or functional basis or are logical parts of a composite of contemplated actions.

- ▶ The purpose of project aggregation is to adequately analyze, in a single environmental review, the separate and combined impacts of activities that are similar, connected and closely related, or that are dependent upon other activities and actions (see 40 CFR 1508.25(a)).
- ▶ The RE may choose:
  - a) functional aggregation when a specific type of activity (e.g., water improvements) is to take place in several separate locales or jurisdictions;
  - b) geographic aggregation when a mix of dissimilar but related activities is to be concentrated in a fairly specific project area (e.g., a combination of water, sewer and street improvements and economic development activities); or
  - c) a combination of aggregation approaches, which, for various project locations, considers the impacts arising from each functional activity and its [interrelationship](#) with other activities.

## **Helpful Links and Contacts**

- ▶ Contact your GLO Grant Manager to obtain TIGR access.
  - A "Subrecipient Access Request Form" must be completed for each individual Environmental Service Provider (ESP) a RE utilizes to prepare a project Environmental Review Record (ERR).
- ▶ For upload instructions and technical support pertaining to TIGR email: [tigrhelp@recovery.texas.gov](mailto:tigrhelp@recovery.texas.gov)
- ▶ To request project related environmental technical assistance email: [env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov](mailto:env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov) with the subject line as follows: **Technical Assistance Request: Subject, City/County**
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